



# The Mediterranean network of Marine Protected Area Managers

Boosting cooperation to lastingly protect the sea



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# MedPAN is

- A network of **strongly committed** members and partners.
- A dynamic **human cooperation** at Mediterranean scale that transcends political barriers.
- **A science based, learning and adaptive** organisation, with a bottom-up approach.





# The MedPAN network in 2022



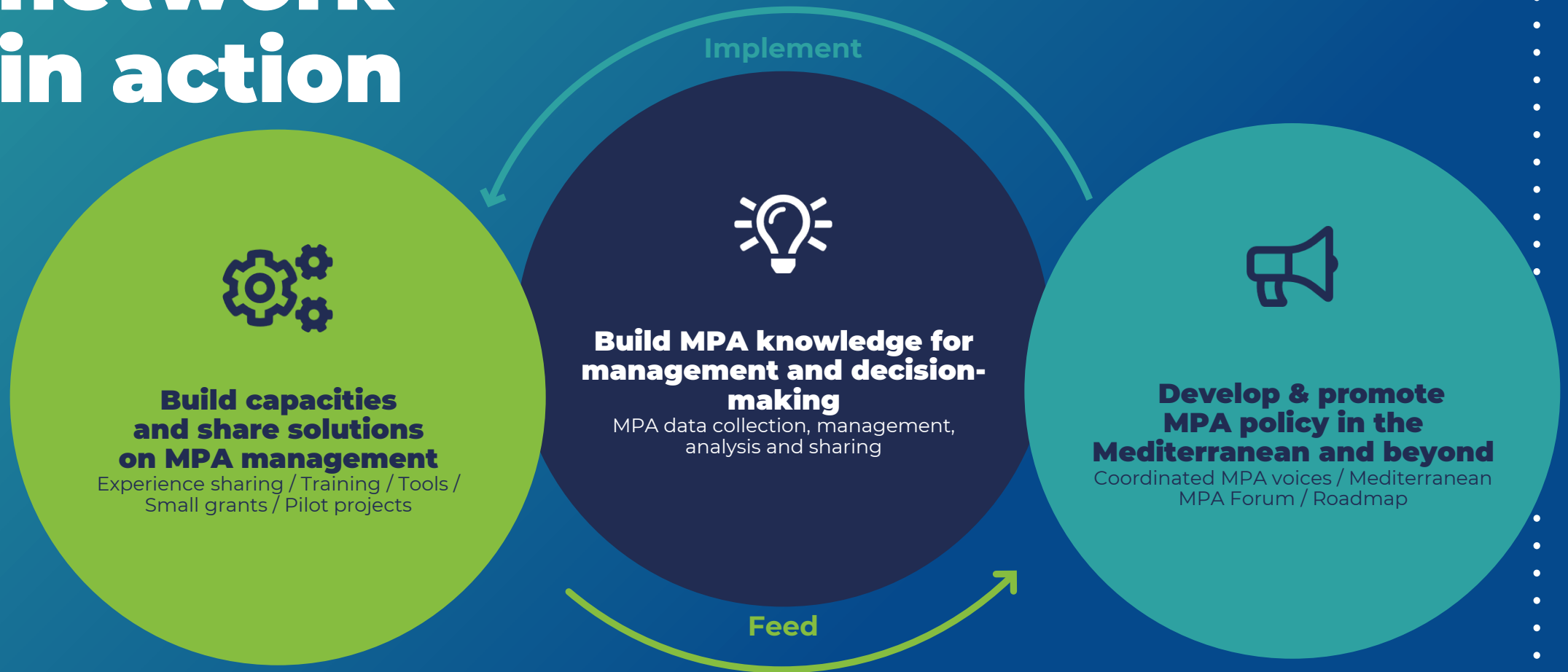
**MARINE PROTECTED AREAS**

- MPAs with a national statute
- Marine Natura 2000 sites
- Pelagos sanctuary



Global Administrative Areas (version 3.6).  
Based on the MAPAMED database.

# The MedPAN network in action



2019-2023 and beyond strategy



# MedPAN supports policies on different levels

## Local

through our network of members; local partners

## National

through our network of members; national partners; support from national networks of MPA managers; agreements with some national authorities (ie. OFB)

## Mediterranean

together with our Mediterranean partners; NGO observer of UN Env MAP; member of the MCS D; MoC with the SPA/RAC; part of the UfM task force on environment; partner of the GFCM; part of the MedFund board

## European

together with our Mediterranean partners; member of MEG and MSCG; support to marine biogeographic approach in the Mediterranean

## International

together with other regional networks of MPAs at Transatlantic level; NGO observer of the CBD; part of the UN ocean Conference; contribution to IMPAC and other key international conferences



## Support and build synergies with other networks of MPA managers

- **In the Mediterranean at national and subregional levels:**  
in France, Croatia, Spain...  
Adriatic, North Africa...
- **Beyond the Mediterranean through the EU Ocean Governance project:**  
RAMPAO (West Africa), CaMPAM (Caribbean), NAMPAN (North America), WIOMSA (Western Indian Ocean), Patagonian Forum...

*2019-2023 and beyond strategy*



# NETWORKS OF MPA MANAGERS TWINNING



**NATIONAL PARTNERS**  
**REGIONAL PARTNERS**

**URUGUAY**

**PATAGONIAN FORMUM**





# GLOBAL ALLIANCE FOR MARINE PROTECTION





# OBJECTIVES

- To collectively scale global capacity to design, manage, and finance MPAs
- To meet the biodiversity, climate, and sustainable development goals embedded in the 30x30 commitment

1- To close geographic gaps for networks/CTFs

2- To support CTF-networks collaborations in LMEs

3- To share tools and train the trainer programs

## 2022 UN BIODIVERSITY CONFERENCE

COP 15 - C/P/MOP 10 - NP/MOP 4

Ecology of Civilization - Building a Shared Future for All Life on Earth

KUNMING - MONTRÉAL





# Call for Joint Action by networks of MPA managers

## MPA networks call for a global MPA manager network.

We believe that MPA manager networks' call for a global MPA network will champion the current marine conservation challenges, especially the GBF Target 3, the SDG14, and the Paris Climate Agreement.

We believe that a global MPA network of managers should be actively promoted and financed to allow MPA managers to most effectively collaborate on actions to address the UN goals and targets for sustainable development, biodiversity, and climate. Such a global MPA manager network should be built on existing MPA manager networks and amplify their on-going efforts.

IMPAC 5 is a great opportunity to strengthen efforts and to make happen a global community. **We invite all of you – countries, managers, donors, scientists, communities and others – to join this call and commit to support this worldwide networking approach and to spread it within and beyond our regions and our global ocean.**

We invite you to sign this call via [the pop-up window on this page](#). By signing, you and your institution show your commitment to working together towards the common goal of building a global network of marine protected area managers.



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#### Signatories:

##### *Regional or international institutions*

Forum for the Conservation of the Patagonian Sea and Areas of Influence in Latin America

Mediterranean Protected Areas Network

Réseau Régional d'Aires marines Protégées en Afrique de l'Ouest

Red Golfo

Center for Specially Protected Areas and Species of the Caribbean

Western Indian Ocean Marine Protected Areas Management Network

##### *National institutions*

A Rocha Kenya

Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Directorate of Ministry of Environment of Uruguay

Community MPAs of Senegal

French Biodiversity Agency and the French MPA network

North American Marine Protected Areas Network

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (USA)

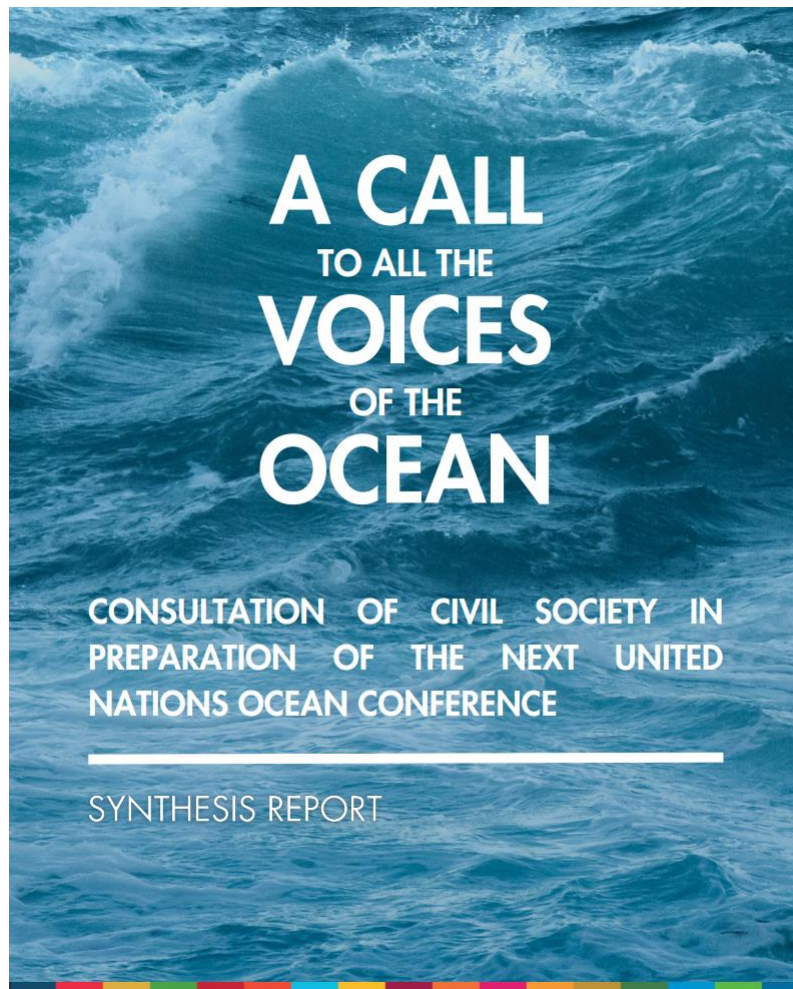
Spanish Ministry for the Ecological Transition through the Biodiversity Foundation

##### *MPAs*

National Park of Cabrera in the Balearic Islands



# “A Call to All the Voices of the Ocean” mandated by the French and Costa Rican co-presidency of the 3rd UN Ocean Conference.



## Ways forward

UNOC 3 must **strengthen collaboration and collective action** to achieve a sustainably managed and protected ocean (Figure 6).

To conclude, the inputs to this survey showcased the determination and motivation of the ocean community to support a meaningful and successful UNOC 3. As conveners of ambition and sources of expertise and knowledge, civil society organisations are looking forward to bridging efforts across all stakeholders, and expect them to rise to the challenge.

Indeed, the UN Ocean Conference will take place only 5 years ahead of the 2030 deadline. Thus, it must finally **turn the tide towards an ambitious, strong and effective protection of the ocean and its ecosystems**, for our well-being depends on it.

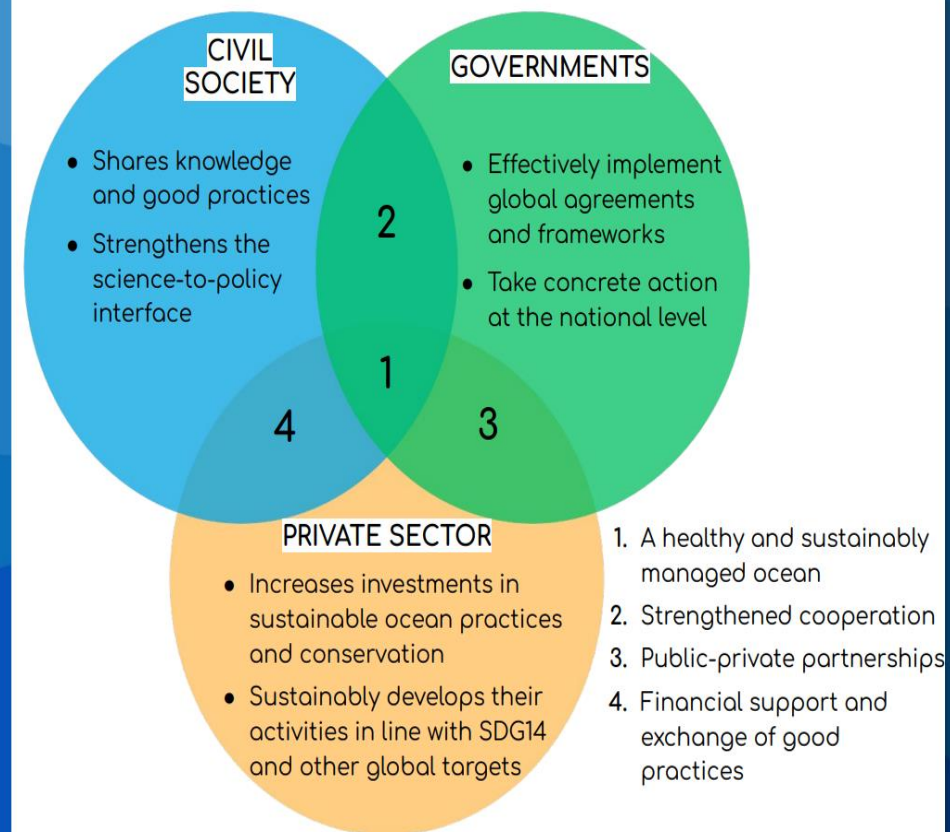


Figure 6. Representation of measures of collaboration and collective action that could support the achievement of SDG14, and overall, the protection of the ocean.





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